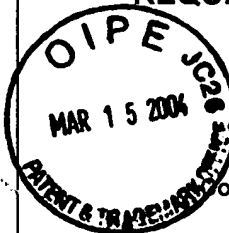


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 <p>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> <p>Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231</p>	Application Number	09/703,277
	Filing Date	10/31/00
	First Named Inventor	Harrison G. PURVIS
	Group Art Unit	3677
	Examiner Name	William L. MILLER
	Attorney Docket Number	24104A

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on February 10, 2004

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

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2. ☐ Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.14) when the RCE is filed; Fee calculated as shown below.)

a. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed to cover the following fees.

i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.137 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge or credit any discrepancies in fee amounts to Deposit Acct. No. 01-0484.

c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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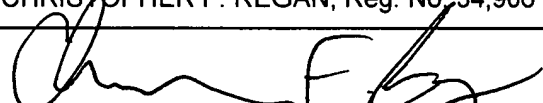
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				Total of above calculations =	\$860
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	TOTAL =				\$430

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

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